

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 85-118

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: CLARIFICATION OF FULL-TIME COLLEGE ATTENDANCE-RCA/ECA AND RDP

REFERENCE: ACL 85-66, ACL 83-87

This letter is to clarify the full-time college attendance provisions contained in Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP) Section 69-206.5.

As specified in ACL 83-87 and MPP Section 69-206.51, applicants/recipients of the Refugee Cash Assistance/Entrant Cash Assistance (RCA/ECA) programs and the Refugee Demonstration Project (RDP) who are full-time students in an institution of higher education are ineligible to receive an RCA/ECA or RDP grant unless the criteria contained in MPP Sections 69-206.52 or .53 are met.

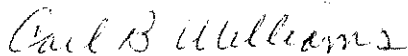
Full-time college students may be eligible for an RCA/ECA or RDP grant only under one of the following circumstances:

1. The refugee is attending a State Department of Social Services/Targeted Assistance Program (SDSS/TAP)-funded or Office of Refugee Services (ORS)-approved employment training programs at a college on a full-time basis as part of an employability plan developed by the Central Intake Unit (CIU); or
2. The refugee is attending SDSS/TAP-funded or ORS-approved employment training programs at a college, on a part-time basis as part of an employability plan developed by the CIU. In addition, the refugee is attending non SDSS/TAP-funded or ORS-approved courses, classes or programs (e.g. economics, sociology, chemistry, etc.), when added to the SDSS/TAP-funded or ORS-approved programs, results in full-time attendance.

Attendance in ORS-approved programs requires authorization through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the CIU and the service provider. Prior approval by ORS is required before execution of the MOU.

Attendance in SDSS/TAP-funded or ORS-approved programs offered at a college must be completed within one year. Furthermore, the CIU shall not approve attendance in any college courses, classes or programs which are not SDSS/TAP funded or ORS-approved classes. Nor shall the CIU approve the continuation of non SDSS/TAP-funded or ORS-approved college courses, classes or programs in which the refugee may be enrolled prior to being referred to the CIU by the county welfare department.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Mrs. Laura Williams, Chief, Refugee Support Management Bureau at (916) 322-3141.



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